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SACWN

SACRAMENTO AREA CAREER WOMEN'S NETWORK INC.

TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE FOR:

COMEDIAN JUDY CARTER

When Judy Carter performed for SACWN in January 1996, the women in the audience laughed until they had tears in their eyes.

She'll be even funnier in her return to SACWN!

Judy combines comedy, magic and perfectly timed storytelling as she tackles gay relationships, politics and mind boggling magic tricks. She's bright, funny and knows just how to find the lesbain funny bone!

Date: Friday, November 7, 1997
Place: Sierra 2
2791 24th Street
Time: 6:30 p.m. Networking
Green Room
7:30 p.m. Performance
24th Street Theater
Tickets: $ 12 Member
$ 17 Non-members and
At the Door

See ticket order form on inside back cover.
An event for women over 21 only.

From the Editor

It's no easy task sitting at the computer one week before Halloween and designing a newsletter that is to be the November and December issue, which should reflect the holiday season. It's so strange.

But it does seem that the older I get, the more life is like that. We focus on events in the future, blink and they happen, and we are still focusing on events in the future. Is your work life like that? So much energy spent working towards a deadline and as soon as that one comes, another deadline looms on the horizon.

So how do we stop, even just for a few hours and get in touch with today? How do we keep those days from blending into weeks, without a focal point, without a bit of connection to the whole of who we are?

Being with family can give us a return to that connection. Spirituality or religion for some of us serves as the channel to the self. For others, it is a connection to who we are as lesbians. It is a moment in time to celebrate our special connection with other women. Being with women at SACWN is a connection that reminds us of who we really are. It's our celebration of our real selves and deserves a top priority in our lives. It should be as important as air, water, bread, and flowers. When we lose touch with our core, we are out of touch with ourselves. Sounds like a great new year's resolution - *stay in touch with our core self!*

SACWN has some fantastic events planned to help you stay in touch with your core.

First, you'll laugh with Judy Carter on November 7, 1997 at the 24th Street Theater at Sierra 2. Then you'll sway to the incredible sounds of Deuce at the Snow White Champagne Ball on December 6, 1997 at the Lincoln Plaza, 4th and P Streets. It will be a night of elegant pampering. Come early and join John Batchelor at 8 p.m. for a swing dance lesson that will prepare you for your evening of fun.

And we'll continue to provide the lesbian culture you love in Sacramento when we bring Suzanne Westenhoefer back to town on Saturday, February 14, 1998. Can you think of a more fun Valentine's evening?

SACWN needs your support to continue to provide entertainment, connections and an entry point for "new" lesbians. Think of a gift of SACWN for the holidays. We'll send a special card with a purchase of a subscriptions or tickets for the Westenhoefer concert. When you give a gift of SACWN, more than your chosen recipient benefits.

So, as we approach the holiday season, our best wishes to you and those you love for a meaningful Thanksgiving, a warm winter holiday and a very rewarding and happy new year.

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Special Interest Groups
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Special Interest Groups (SIGs) are small groups of women who meet around a common interest. It's a great way to meet other lesbians in an informal environment. Just give the facilitator a call and she'll be glad to tell you all about the group and their activities.

We have some new SIG facilitators this month. Please give them a call and thank them, for volunteering to make SACWN special.

TOP 10

Top-10 is a group of women over 50 and women who love women over 50. We meet at least once a month at restaurants around town. Occasionally we have fun at home parties. Come join us for an evening of fun!

Our next meeting will be on **Saturday, November 8, 6:00 p.m.** dinner at El Torito, 1598 Arden Way. Call **Paula at 721-6409** by Wednesday for reservation.

1/2 FAST HIKING GROUP

We're an active, well-organized group which gets together once a month to go day hiking. Please call for details. Join us ! **Ann 443-3638 and Sue 927-8320.**

SINGLES GROUP

Hello all you single SACWNites! I am pleased to keep the Singles Group going and look forward to fun and friendship with a diverse group of women.

Thanks to Ann for all your efforts in the past year. I had a lot of fun with the Singles Group.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Saturday, November 15, 6:30 p.m. Potluck and party at Betty's. RSVP for directions, **731-7192**

Saturday, December 6, Snow White Champagne Ball, our night to shine. Hope you all are coming. Special tables and a boutonniere will be reserved for singles. For information, call **451-8034.**

Friday, December 19. Dinner and movie. Call for details.

If you have any questions or suggestions. Please call **Betty at 731-7192**, or E-mail (my personal favorite for all you on-line types) **blwskeke@aol.com**

SPECIAL INVITATION

Alone on Thanksgiving? Come to my house. I'll provide the turkey, you provide the trimmings. Call **Joy at 452-5513.**

NEW COMERS

New to the community? New to SACWN? Or do you just want to come out and meet new friends? You are invited to join the other women at a brunch on Saturday, **November 22, at 11:30 a.m. at Maxi's Opera Cafe** located in the Market Square Plaza at the Arden Fair Mall. RSVP to **Diana 487-3124** by Thursday November 20.

THE BOOK GROUP

The next meeting of the book group will be at **7:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 20,** at the SACWN office. The book under discussion will be *Changing Partners, Women Speak Out on Sex and Desire*, by our own Joanne Morrow. Joanne will be reading from her book at Lioness Books on Friday, November 14, and has agreed to come to our meeting on Nov. 20 to discuss her book with us. For information, call **Joy at 452-5513.**

COMING SOON!

"There's nothing funny about being gay that Judy Carter doesn't talk about!"

On **Friday, November 7, 1997 at Sierra 2's 24th Street Theater**, SACWN will host the return visit of Judy Carter. Last here in January of 1996, Carter has travelled the country since then with her new book, *The Homo Handbook.*

Carter is a native Los Angelino who graduated from USC with a Theater Arts degree. Entrepreneurial at a young age, she started a "birthday party" company at 8 years old which provided performers (usually Judy) for birthday party magic shows. She was featured in the Los Angeles Times by the time she was 10. Her love for magic found her studying with magic masters Doug Henning and Dai Vernon and she became the first woman to ever perform at the Magic Castle's close-up room. She began her stand-up career by accident. As she was on tour with her magic act, one night her materials did not show up at the nightclub. In the tradition of "the show must go on", Carter had to wing it and began performing "off the cuff" comedy. It worked so well, she never had to lug props around again.

TICKET FORM
JUDY CARTER CONCERT

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List Membership Nos: _____

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SUCCESSFUL SACWNITE

H.G. Wells wrote, "If I have touched but one person and made them smile, then I am a success." Quite inspiring. But, consider touching people every day, literally, and not only touching them but, truly leaving your mark. How succesful are you then? Well, if you've ever been to visit the Steel Rose in Auburn, you'd know that Paula Tyer and Phyllis Dougan are quite succesful because they leave beautiful marks on everyone they meet.

The Steel Rose is a woman owned, woman run tattoo parlor that specializes in creating a comfortable environment for women to not only get a beautiful tattoo but, also benefit from holistic therapy, body piercings and even tanning beds. Paula considers herself "an artist, a personal helper and a healer", and she has tried to transform the image of tattooing to one which is more accepted and appealing to those who have never imagined stepping into a tattoo parlor.

"My ideology is that we don't have to just accept and live with a portrait that we are uncomfortable with. We can take charge and change it, transforming it into a truer reflection of the inner self that resides within, and one that we are confidant with."

Paula has put her whole energy into the Steel Rose, along with her partner of 15 years, Phyllis. Phyllis does body piercing and pretty much runs the shop, while Paula is the tattoo artist and "energy healer".

A little over thirty years ago, Paula crossed the state line to get a tattoo because they were illegal in her home state of Tennessee. She remembers it being a dirty, uncomfortable place where the only tattoos available were the type "military men appreciated", but she laughs that she must have wanted that tattoo because she got it anyway. After traveling the country and setting up house in the Bay Area where Paula worked as a police officer, the two women decided that this is where they fit in. They eventually settled in the Dutch Flat area after Paula let her psychic energy lead them to the perfect home. Then once again, the Steel Rose was born from Paula's dream and faith in her energy spirit.

"I believe my philosophy can be experienced

when one visits the Steel Rose. It is not a tattoo parlor. It is a body salon", says Paula.

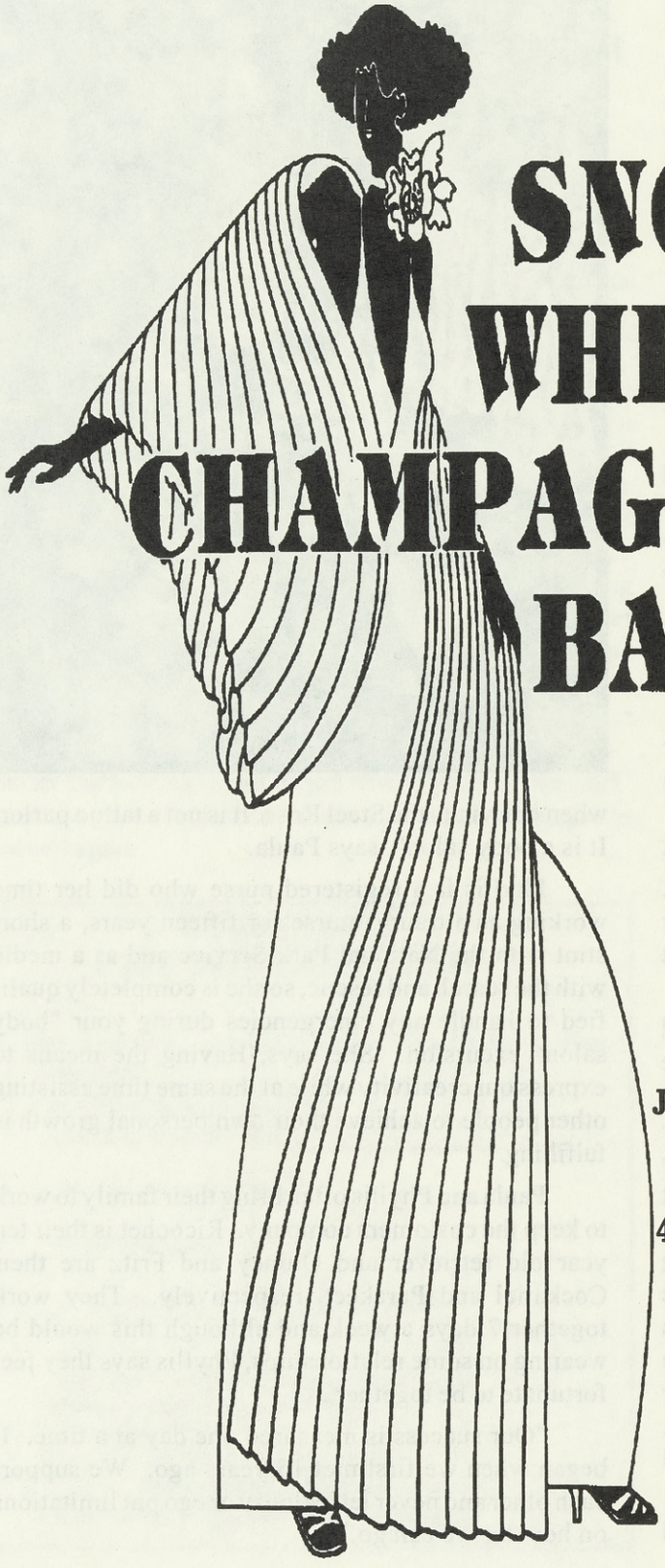
Phyllis is a registered nurse who did her time working as a trauma nurse for fifteen years, a short stint with the National Park Service and as a medic with the search and rescue, so she is completely qualified to handle any emergencies during your "body salon" excursion. She says,"Having the means to express our creativity while at the same time assisting other people to achieve their own personal growth is fulfilling."

Paula and Phyllis often bring their family to work to keep the customers company. Ricochet is their ten year old retriever and Quincy and Fritz are their Cockatiel and Parakeet, respectively. They work together 7 days a week and although this would be wearing on some relationships, Phyllis says they feel fortunate to be together.

"Our success is measured one day at a time. It began when we first met 15 years ago. We support each other and never let jealousy or ego put limitations on how far we can go."

THE 21st ANNUAL

In the spirit of Holiday Gaiety,
we request the honor of the presence
of all single and coupled women.



SNOW WHITE CHAMPAGNE BALL

Music by "Deuce"

Saturday, December 6,
1997

8:00 p.m. to Midnight

Join us for this elegant community tradition.
Semi to Formal Dress
Privately at the Lincoln Plaza Atrium,
4th & P Streets, Behind the Crocker Museum.
Private, secure, underground parking.
Champagne, no-host bar, hors d'oeuvres.

$45 SACWN Members in advance
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$55 at the door per woman
For women over 21 only.
For information, call 451-8034

THE FORMS

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SNOW WHITE CHAMPAGNE BALL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1997

Lincoln Plaza
4th & P Streets

From 8 p.m. to Midnight

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This event is open to women over 21 only.

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